

**METHOD AND APPARATUS FOR APPLYING FINE GRAINED TRANSFORMS
DURING PLACEMENT SYNTHESIS INTERACTION**

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

5 A method (and system) of applying transforms for modifying a plurality of domains concurrently in a design space, includes creating a sequence of more and less granular placement and netlist modification transforms. A converging design process flow is created by a flexible mechanism in which a select combination of fine-grained transforms are applied to optimize the netlist and placement of a design.

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